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10 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
11 DISTRICT OF NEVADA

12 JESSICA MARTINEZ-ANTONIO,

13 Plaintiff,

14 vs.

15 GEICO CASUALTY COMPANY; DOES I  
through X; and ROE CORPORATIONS I  
16 through X, inclusive,

17 Defendants.

CASE NO.: 2:20-cv-00635-GMN-DJA

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19 **STIPULATION AND ORDER FOR BINDING ARBITRATION AND TO STAY**  
**PROCEEDINGS PENDING BINDING ARBITRATION**

20 IT IS HEREBY STIPULATED AND AGREED, by and between the PARTIES to place  
21 this matter into binding arbitration.

22 THE PARTIES FURTHER AGREE AND STIPULATE AS FOLLOWS, THAT:

- 23 1. That the above-entitled action is hereby stayed, pending the binding arbitration;  
24 2. That at the conclusion of the binding arbitration, and payment of any award, the  
25 Parties will execute and submit to this Court, a stipulation for dismissal, with prejudice.  
26 3. Jennifer Togliatti, shall serve as the Arbitrator in the above-entitled matter.  
27 4. The Arbitration Hearing will take place on TBA, beginning at TBA at Advanced  
28 Resolution Management, 6980 S. Cimarron Road, Ste. 210 Las Vegas, NV 89113. The above is

1 subject to the availability of the Arbitrator, but the Arbitration Hearing.

2 5. Arbitration briefs will be due five days before the Arbitration Hearing.

3 6. The Parties agree to resolve, by binding Arbitration, any and all disputes between  
4 Plaintiff, JESSICA MARTINEZ-ANTONIA ("Plaintiff") and Defendant, GEICO CASUALTY  
5 COMPANY ("Defendant"), including, but not limited to liability, bodily injury, property damage,  
6 contractual damages and to place a fair and equitable value on the damages incurred by Plaintiff  
7 arising from an automobile accident that occurred between Plaintiff and a third-party tortfeasor,  
8 on December 6, 2017 ("Subject Accident").

9 7. This Arbitration shall be binding, and shall be the sole and final resolution and  
10 adjudication of this matter. This clause is the essence of this Stipulation.

11 8. Plaintiff hereby agrees to refrain from making the following Causes of Action  
12 against Defendant, upon the resolution of the Arbitration: Tortious Breach of Contract and Implied  
13 Covenant of Good Faith and Fair Dealing; Violation of Unfair Claims Practices; Negligent and/or  
14 Intentional Misrepresentation; Bad Faith; Fraud; or any other extracontractual claims and/or causes  
15 of action.

16 9. Plaintiff hereby agrees to sign/execute a release of all claims, and a stipulation for  
17 dismissal of all remaining claims/causes of action, with prejudice, upon receipt of the binding  
18 arbitration decision, and payment of any sum owed pursuant to any arbitration award, if any.

19 10. The Parties specifically agree to waive any right to seek an award of attorney's fees,  
20 costs, per-judgment interest or post-judgment interest.

21 11. The Arbitrator's fees shall be split as follows: Equally 50/50.

22 12. Discovery shall close on one week before briefs are due. No sub-deadlines are  
23 required.

24 13. The Parties agree that Plaintiff has already recovered Fifteen Thousand Dollars and  
25 00/100 Cents (\$15,000.00) from the third-party tortfeasor's insurance carrier, as a result of the  
26 Subject Accident.

27 14. The Arbitrator will not be informed of the Plaintiff's policy or the applicable limits.

28 15. The Parties agree that the high/low limits for Plaintiff's recovery are as follows:  
high Three Hundred Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents of New Money (\$300,000.00); low of

1 Thirty-Five Thousand Seven Hundred Dollars and 00/100 Cents of New Money (\$35,700.00). For  
2 the purposes of this stipulation and order, New Money is considered money paid to the Plaintiff  
3 after all offsets of Fifteen Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$15,000.00) are applied.

4 16. The Arbitrator shall not be informed concerning the high/low limits the Parties have  
5 agreed upon, nor will the Arbitrator be informed of the monies previously received by Plaintiff,  
6 from any source. Rather the Arbitrator shall be asked to decide the issues of liability, bodily injury,  
7 property damage, contractual damages and to place a fair and equitable value on the damages  
8 incurred by Plaintiff. On the issue of damages, the Arbitration shall only concern Plaintiff's  
9 contractual damages and will not concern his or her self with extra-contractual issues or punitive  
10 damages. Nor will the Arbitration contain arguments or discussions of extra-contractual issues or  
11 allegations or punitive damages issues or allegations.

12 17. The Parties agree that Defendant is entitled to a total offset of Fifteen Thousand  
13 Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$15,000.00), from any award issued by the Arbitrator. This offset  
14 amount is comprised of the Fifteen Thousand Dollars and 00/100 Cents (\$15,000.00) Plaintiff  
15 received from the third-party tortfeasor's insurance carrier,

16 18. Under no circumstances shall Plaintiff recover more than the Uninsured  
17 Motorist/Under-insured Motorist (UM/UIM) per person limit of Three Hundred Thousand Dollars  
18 and 00/100 Cents (\$300,000.00).

19 19. By way of example, if the Arbitrator awards Plaintiff damages in an amount  
20 between \$0.00 and \$50,700.00, Defendant will pay Plaintiff \$35,700.00 (low limit). If the  
21 Arbitrator awards an amount between \$50,700.01 and \$315,000.00, Defendant will pay the amount  
22 of the award, minus \$15,000.00. If the Arbitrator awards damages to Plaintiff in an amount in  
23 excess of \$315,000.00 (i.e. \$315,000.01 or more), Defendant will pay Plaintiff \$300,000.00 (high  
24 limit).

25 20. The Parties may admit at the Arbitration, any relevant evidence, e.g. treatment  
26 records or bills, with or without an appropriate affidavit (e.g. from the custodian of records), and  
27 without testimony of a witness.

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1           21. At the Arbitration, either Party may present reports from any designated physician  
2 or expert, without having to produce any physician or expert, or, either Party may elect to have  
3 any physician or expert appear.

4           22. At the conclusion of the Arbitration, payment of any award will be made within  
5 thirty (30) days of the Arbitrator's written decision.

6           23. Concurrent to payment of any award, Plaintiff will: (1) execute a release of  
7 Defendant, contractual and extracontractual, which shall include an agreement to resolve,  
8 indemnify and hold Defendant harmless from all statutory liens, including but not limited to  
9 medical, hospital and attorney liens out of monies paid to Plaintiff by Defendant; and (2) sign a  
10 stipulation to dismiss Defendant, with prejudice.

11           24. Rules governing trial de novo will not apply to this case as Arbitration is binding.  
12 The Parties are aware, however, that any Party may move the Court to confirm, vacate or modify  
13 the decision of the Arbitrator in the manner authorized by NRS Chapter 38.

14           25. The Parties agree to resolve any and all discovery disputes either by stipulation,  
15 agreement or at the direction of the Arbitrator.

16           26. The Parties agree to refrain from conducting discovery related to claim handling,  
17 adjuster thoughts, mental impressions or opinions, or extracontractual claims/causes of action.  
18 Rather, discovery shall be limited to liability, causation, damages and the value of Plaintiff's bodily  
19 injury claim.

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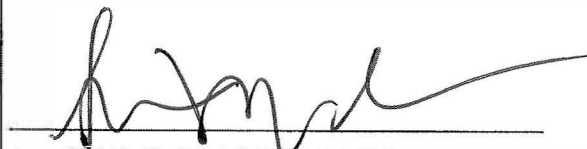
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